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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT: Louis E. Schaefer, Jr.

SERIAL NO.: 10/624,091

FILED: 07/21/2003

FOR: "Safety System For Underwater Cutting"



DATE: 31 January 2005

GROUP ART UNIT: 3672

EXAMINER: DANG, Hoang C.

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: A02161US (98683.1)

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**RESPONSE**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated November 30, 2004. A shortened statutory period was set to expire two months from the date of the Office Action, making a response due by January 31, 2005 (January 30, 2005 is a legal holiday)

**AMENDMENT**

Please amend the application as follows (additions are underlined and deletions are shown in strikeout):